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1. The Ecuadoran Communist Party scheduled a conference of all the units in the Guayaquil area on 5, 6, and 7 August 1948. The purpose of this conference was to gather reports from the local cells; to act upon resolutions and to formulate a plan of action for the next session of the Ecuadoran Congress in Quito; and to elect new officers for the Local Committee, as well as to swear in new members.
2. Each cell designated two delegates and two alternates to the conference. These individuals were checked by Party chiefs before the opening of the sessions. The cells were instructed to elect their most vigorous, discreet, and militant members to represent them.
3. The following rules governed the conference:
 - a. Members of the conference had to be either delegates of the base organisms (cells of the barrios or industrial plants) in Guayaquil, or delegates and members of the Regional and Local Committees.
 - b. The Directorate of the conference consisted of a president and a vice president, elected by the members. The Local Committee designated the personnel of the Secretariat.
 - c. Commissions were named to study reports and the different points of the order of the day. Leaders of cells and factions presented their corresponding plans and resolutions for approval of the conference.
 - d. Members of the conference were able to intervene in the debates, once they received permission from the presiding president of the meeting. All debates were limited to five minutes, unless an extension was granted by the president.
 - e. Voting was individual, and the delegates voted orally.
4. The outline for a plan of action included:
 - a. Reports of the Local Committee.
 - b. Election of officers for the conference.
 - c. Discussion of reports presented by cell leaders.
 - d. Resolutions and a plan of action to be adopted by the conference.
 - e. Election of Local Committee officers.
 - f. Swearing in of new members.

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